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PROVO RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 14, 1970

Pursuant to the Articles of Association, as amended by the Provo River Distribution System, and due notice having been given to all members, the Board of Directors of the Provo River Distribution System convened at 10:00 a.m. on January 14, 1970, in Room 200 of the Utah County Court House, Provo, Utah.

Chairman Niels Andersen presided.

On roll call, the following Board members were present:

J. Edwin Ure, Vice Chairman	Group 1	Kamas Valley Canals
Sherman A. Giles	" 2	Upper Provo, East Heber Valley
Irvin O. Bowden	" 3	Upper Provo, West Heber Valley
Glen A. Wright	" 4	Provo City Canals
Stanley H. Roberts	" 5	East Provo Canals
Niels Andersen, Chairman	" 6	Provo Bench Canals
Jack M. Gardner, Secy-Treas.	" 8	Provo River Water Users Assn.

Absent:

John W. Gillman	" 7	Provo Reservoir Water Users Co.
Ernest Knight	" 9	Upper Provo Individual Rights

Also present were:

Hugh A. McKellar	Provo River Commissioner
B. Harold Mendenhall	Provo River Water Users Assn.
Robert White	U. S. Bureau of Reclamation
J. G. Haight	Utah Power & Light Company

CORRECTION AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF 1969 ANNUAL MEETING AND SPECIAL MEETING OF MAY 1, 1969:

At the request of the Chairman, Secretary Gardner read the Minutes of the Annual Meeting, held January 8, 1969, whereupon, Director Giles called attention to the last part of the first paragraph of Page 3, to-wit: "waters into the Prove Bench Canal", this should read "waters of the Provo River".

Secretary Gardner stated that the correction would be made accordingly in the official Minute Book.

Whereupon, Director Roberts moved that the minutes be accepted, seconded by Director Wright and carried unanimously.

The minutes of the Special Meeting, held May 1, 1969, were then read, and there being no correction, Director Giles moved the minutes be accepted and seconded by Director Roberts and carried unanimously.

UPPER PROVO, WEST HEBER VALLEY GROUP 3 APPOINTS NEW DIRECTOR TO BOARD:

Chairman Andersen advised that Mr. Irvin O. Bowden had been appointed Director

by the Upper Provo, West Heber Valley to replace Mr. Floyd Bonner, past Director and Vice Chairman.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1970:

Chairman Andersen advised that the next order of business was to nominate and elect officers for the ensuing year. After due discussion, Director Giles moved adoption of the following resolution:

(95) RESOLVED That Niels Andersen, Edwin Ure, and Jack Gardner be elected as Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary-Treasurer, respectively, to serve the following one year term of office. Motion was seconded by Director Wright and adopted unanimously.

1969 FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS:

At the request of Chairman Andersen, Secretary Gardner presented the last year's Financial Statement of the River Systems operation, noting that the assessment was set at \$13,700 and there were receipts of \$13,698.40 and receipts of delinquent accounts of \$45.21 or total receipts of \$13,743.61. The expenditures during the year were \$14,634.56, the difference of \$890.95 coming from the Distribution Trust Fund and leaving a balance in the Fund, as of December 31, 1969, of \$6,272.27 and that \$15,150.00 had been budgeted as against the actual expenditure of \$14,634.56.

Delinquent assessments were noted in the amount of \$204.76 and the Attorney General's office had assured the State Engineer that court action is to be taken immediately for collection of these assessments. Directors Giles and Roberts advised that they thought some accounts could be collected by direct contact without this action.

COMMISSIONER'S ANNUAL REPORT:

Commissioner McKellar reported that 1969 was a good water year, although flooding did not occur to the extent forecast. Flooding was curtailed by the efficient operation of Deer Creek Reservoir. The Reservoir filled May 20. There was 544 acre feet of water brought over from Echo for the Provo Reservoir Water Users Company and Extension Irrigation Company, 19,401 acre feet was diverted through the Weber Provo Diversion Canal, and 9,391 acre feet through the Duchesne Tunnel. The Head of the River Reservoirs filled with the exception of a small reservoir that needed repairs. The Reservoirs stored 10,080 acre feet. The Provo Division was at 100 percent and with secondary water available all year.

Deputy Commissioner Giles noted that 1969 was a good water year on the Upper Provo and the River did not flood, as projected. The River stayed at 100 percent, except for a few days at the end of July and the first of August and very few problems were encountered.

NOMINATION OF ANNUAL COMMISSIONER AND DEPUTY COMMISSIONER:

Chairman Andersen noted that the Board must again nominate and elect a Commissioner as its choice to recommend for appointment by the State Engineer. Director Roberts, thereupon, moved adoption of the following resolution:

(96) RESOLVED, That Hugh McKellar shall be and is hereby elected as the

Board's recommendation to the State Engineer for appointment as the Provo River Commissioner, to serve for the yearly term, beginning April 1, 1970.

The motion was seconded by Director Ure and adopted unanimously.

Whereupon, Commissioner McKellar nominated Sherman A. Giles, Deputy Commissioner, as recommended appointee by the State Engineer.

Director Roberts moved adoption of the following resolution:

(97) RESOLVED, That the Board accept Commissioner McKellar's election of Sherman A. Giles for recommended Deputy Commissioner appointee by the State Engineer to serve for the yearly term, beginning April 1, 1970.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

BUDGET AND ASSESSMENT - 1970:

Chairman Andersen called for a discussion of the budget and assessment for the following year. Commissioner McKellar advised that he and Secretary Gardner had worked up a tentative budget for presentation to the Board and asked Secretary Gardner to present this budget for discussion. Secretary Gardner noted that the first items were the salaries and matching social securities and State Retirement for the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner; that the consideration of raises in salary should be discussed and decided on in order to set these items; that it was his opinion that since inflation had again caused about a 5 percent increase in cost of living, that a raise in salary was in order to offset this 5 percent. Director Ure took exception to a yearly flat 5 percent raise, as he felt that any raise should be given on other bases.

Commissioner McKellar noted that another item that should be considered along with any salary increase was the possibility of health insurance for the employees of the River System; that he had been advised by Mr. Reese of the State Engineer's office that the Associated Canals had covered its employees under a part participation of premium payments and that other systems would likely follow; that Mr. Reese had given him the premiums for each of these plans and presented the following information:

Family Plan	\$415.92	yearly premium
Employee and wife	301.20	" "
Employee only	133.68	" "

There followed a discussion as to amount of participation in these plans by the River System and the possibility of the participation in lieu of raises. After due discussion, it was generally agreed that the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner would accept about a 5 percent raise and at the meetings to be held the following day with the State Engineer, more details of the insurance plans and state participation with its' employees could be known; that the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner could then, at their option, take the insurance and pay the premium.

Secretary Gardner then noted that with the raises in salaries, the first six budget items would now read: Item 1, Commissioner's salary \$6,700.00, in lieu of \$6,360.00; Item 2, Deputy Commissioner's salary \$5,300.00 in lieu of

\$5,040.00; the matching social security and state retirement. Items 1-A and 1-F, 2-A and 2-F would now be \$321.60 and \$284.75 and \$254.40 and \$225.25, respectively; that all other items would remain the same as the 1969 budget, except Item 11, Miscellaneous Expense, which was adjusted from \$41.80 to \$64.00, bringing the 1970 budget to \$15,855.00.

After due discussion, the assessment was increased from \$13,700.00 to \$14,700.00 inasmuch as the Budget amount would leave only a little over \$4,000.00 in the Reserve Fund, if expenditures equalled the Budget amount. Whereupon, Director Ure moved adoption of the following resolution:

(98) RESOLVED, That for the following year the recommended Budget be accepted as itemized and the Budget be set at \$15,855.00 and the assessment be set at \$14,700.00, the difference in actual expenditure and the assessment to be drawn from the Reserve Trust Fund.

The motion was seconded by Director Roberts and carried unanimously.

MEETING WITH STATE ENGINEER:

Chairman Andersen called attention to the following letter, dated January 5, 1970:

"TO THE WATER USERS OF THE PROVO RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM:

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with Title 73, Chapter 5, Utah Code Annotated 1953, a meeting of water users of the Provo Distribution System and representatives of the State Engineer's Office will be held Thursday, January 15, 1970, at 10:00 a.m. in the Utah County Courthouse, Provo, Utah, for the purpose of:

1. Hearing the minutes of the 1969 meeting.
2. Hearing the financial report for 1969.
3. Hearing the 1969 commissioner's report.
4. Preparing a budget of salaries and other necessary expenses of the Provo River Distribution System.
5. Making recommendations to the State Engineer relative to the appointment of a water commissioner for the 1970 season.
6. Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

We hope that the water users or representatives will attend in order that they be properly represented.

Yours very truly,

SS Hubert C. Lambert
State Engineer

Chairman Andersen requested all members of the Board to attend this meeting, in view of the importance of the River System's operations.

There being no further business, Director Wright moved adjournment of the meeting, which was seconded by Director Giles. Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Jack M. Gardner, Secretary